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REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed 21 January 2005, Applicant selects Invention II for further examination. This response is made with traverse.

Applicant brings the attention of the Examiner to the fact that there is no claim 66. By an unintentional error, claim 66 was left out of the Second Preliminary Amendment filed January 27, 2004.

Applicant has cancelled claims 35-45 and 54-56; added new claims 69-103; and amended claims 57, 58, and 65. New claims 69-103 are also examinable at this time, since the general subject matter of these claims was searched and examined in a corresponding divisional application, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/039,797, filed October 26, 2001, and also in the parent application, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/692,857, filed October 20, 2000, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,738,661. For these reasons, claims 57-103 can be examined without serious burden to the U.S.P.T.O. Applicant respectfully requests examination of pending claims 57-65 and 67-103.

The undersigned welcomes a telephonic interview with the Examiner, if the Examiner believes that such an interview would facilitate resolution of any outstanding issues.

Respectfully submitted

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